

BUSINESS BAROMETER December 2007

Sales Tax Collections by Class of Business (value in \$):

Percent Change from:

	October '07	September '07	October '06
Food and Beverage	\$866,956	7.2	6.9
Apparel	\$151,792	-2.3	-5.9
General Merchandise	\$600,596	-0.7	-3.7
Auto and Oil	\$262,861	-7.3	-5.9
Furniture and Appliances	\$139,705	-9.4	-1.2
Building and Industrial	\$415,311	12.8	-9.0
Utilities and Transportation	\$202,252	-5.6	-6.3
Hardware, Machinery, and Equip.	\$129,145	20.7	21.4
Miscellaneous	\$221,253	-20.1	-38.7

ALLEGANY CTY	September '07	August '07	September '06
Labor Force	35,577	35,592	35,544
Employed	33,830	33,726	33,776
Unemployed	1,747	1,866	1,768
Unemployment Rate	4.9	5.2	5.0

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX	October '07	Monthly % Change	Annual % Change
ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	208.9	0.21%	3.32%
URBAN WAGE AND CLERICAL	204.3	0.22%	3.50%

BUILDING PERMITS	October '07	September '07	October '06
COUNTY BUILDING PERMITS	\$1,473,000	\$1,820,700	\$1,517,000
CITY BUILDING PERMITS	\$899,461	\$419,075	\$216,748,137

